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Serial No. 09/754,301

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2123**  
Docket No.: 1075.1137

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Masayoshi HASHIMA, et al.

Serial No. 09/754,301

Group Art Unit: 2123

Confirmation No. 3311

Filed: January 5, 2001

Examiner: Mary C. Hogan

For: SUPPORT SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM IN WHICH  
SUPPORT PROGRAM IS RECORDED

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed January 14, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on April 14, 2005. A Petition for One Month Extension of Time, together with the requisite fee is enclosed, thereby extending the response due date to May 16, 2005 (May 14, 2005 falling on a Saturday).

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested, because the amendments and remarks clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the relied upon references and believed to place this application in condition for allowance.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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| <b>REPLY/AMENDMENT<br/>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> | Attorney Docket No.  | 1075.1137                 |               |
|  | Application Number   | 09/754,301                |               |
|  | Filing Date          | January 5, 2001           |               |
|  | First Named Inventor | Masayoshi HASHIMA, et al. |               |
|  | Group Art Unit       | 2123                      |               |
| AMOUNT ENCLOSED                            | \$170.00             | Examiner Name             | Mary C. Hogan |

| <b>FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04)</b>  |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| CLAIMS AS AMENDED   | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate          | Calculations     |
| TOTAL CLAIMS  | 21                               | 20 =                               | 1            | X \$ 50.00 =  | \$ 50.00         |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS  | 3                                | 3 =                                | 0            | X \$ 200.00 = | 0.00             |
| Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>April 14, 2005</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)): |                                  |                                    |              |               | 120.00           |
| If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00)   |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)  |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)  |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| Total of above Calculations =   |                                  |                                    |              |               | \$ 170.00        |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)   |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| <b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>   |                                  |                                    |              |               | <b>\$ 170.00</b> |
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| (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".   |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".  |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |
| (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".   |                                  |                                    |              |               |                  |

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| <b>GENERAL AUTHORIZATION</b>        |   |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. |

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| <b>SUBMITTED BY: STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP</b> |                   |          |              |
| Typed Name                                  | Mehdi D. Sheikerz | Reg. No. | 41,307       |
| Signature                                   |                   | Date     | May 16, 2005 |